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Settlement doesn't do anything to punish Microsoft for their deeds and it doesn't do enough to restore competitiveness of the marketplace and real innovation, not Microsoftish "innovation", which is nothing more than stealing or buying out others ideas and integrating them into their monopolistic products.

Microsoft does nothing to provide interoperability with other companies products, unless it serves their goal to crush competition (WordPerfect and Lotus 1-2-3). It introduces incompatibility between versions of its own software in order to force users to upgrade perfectly working products and pay more to Microsoft (Word 6.0 to Word 95 migration).

Microsoft destroyed internet browser market by integrating middleware functions into operating system. Now Microsoft tries to do the same thing with messaging software and authentication services, integrating them into new version of their operating system.

Microsoft destroyed operating systems market using their licensing schemes, which punished hardware manufacturers for installing other systems (IBMs OS/2, BeOS or Linux distributions).

By doing this, Microsoft disregards our right for freedom of choice and stifles real innovation.

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